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Description

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Proposed Rule Change to Adopt FINRA Rule 3280 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) in the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook.

Contact Information

Provide the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person on the staff of the self-regulatory organization prepared to respond to questions and comments on the action.

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Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

has duly caused this filing to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

(Title *)
 Date 08/20/2015 Vice President and Associate General Counsel
 By James Wrona
 (Name *)
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The self-regulatory organization must provide all required information, presented in a clear and comprehensible manner, to enable the public to provide meaningful comment on the proposal and for the Commission to determine whether the proposal is consistent with the Act and applicable rules and regulations under the Act.

Exhibit 1 - Notice of Proposed Rule Change *

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The Notice section of this Form 19b-4 must comply with the guidelines for publication in the Federal Register as well as any requirements for electronic filing as published by the Commission (if applicable). The Office of the Federal Register (OFR) offers guidance on Federal Register publication requirements in the Federal Register Document Drafting Handbook, October 1998 Revision. For example, all references to the federal securities laws must include the corresponding cite to the United States Code in a footnote. All references to SEC rules must include the corresponding cite to the Code of Federal Regulations in a footnote. All references to Securities Exchange Act Releases must include the release number, release date, Federal Register cite, Federal Register date, and corresponding file number (e.g., SR-[SRO]-xx-xx). A material failure to comply with these guidelines will result in the proposed rule change being deemed not properly filed. See also Rule 0-3 under the Act (17 CFR 240.0-3)

Exhibit 1A- Notice of Proposed Rule Change, Security-Based Swap Submission, or Advance Notice by Clearing Agencies *

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Exhibit 2 - Notices, Written Comments, Transcripts, Other Communications

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Exhibit 3 - Form, Report, or Questionnaire

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Copies of any form, report, or questionnaire that the self-regulatory organization proposes to use to help implement or operate the proposed rule change, or that is referred to by the proposed rule change.

Exhibit 4 - Marked Copies

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The full text shall be marked, in any convenient manner, to indicate additions to and deletions from the immediately preceding filing. The purpose of Exhibit 4 is to permit the staff to identify immediately the changes made from the text of the rule with which it has been working.

Exhibit 5 - Proposed Rule Text

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The self-regulatory organization may choose to attach as Exhibit 5 proposed changes to rule text in place of providing it in Item I and which may otherwise be more easily readable if provided separately from Form 19b-4. Exhibit 5 shall be considered part of the proposed rule change.

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If the self-regulatory organization is amending only part of the text of a lengthy proposed rule change, it may, with the Commission's permission, file only those portions of the text of the proposed rule change in which changes are being made if the filing (i.e. partial amendment) is clearly understandable on its face. Such partial amendment shall be clearly identified and marked to show deletions and additions.

1. Text of the Proposed Rule Change

(a) Pursuant to the provisions of Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”),¹ Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”) is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC” or “Commission”) a proposed rule change to adopt NASD Rule 3040 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) as FINRA Rule 3280 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) in the consolidated FINRA rulebook without any substantive changes. FINRA also proposes to update cross-references within other FINRA rules accordingly.

The text of the proposed rule change is attached as Exhibit 5.

(b) Upon filing with the Commission and implementation by FINRA of the proposed rule change, NASD Rule 3040 will be eliminated from the current FINRA rulebook.

(c) Not applicable.

2. Procedures of the Self-Regulatory Organization

The Chief Legal Officer of FINRA authorized the filing of the proposed rule change with the SEC pursuant to delegated authority. No other action by FINRA is necessary for the filing of the proposed rule change.

FINRA has filed the proposed rule change for immediate effectiveness. The implementation date will be 30 days after the date of the filing.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

3. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

(a) Purpose

As part of the process of developing a new consolidated rulebook (“Consolidated FINRA Rulebook”),² FINRA is proposing to transfer NASD Rule 3040 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) into the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook as FINRA Rule 3280 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) without any substantive changes. As with NASD Rule 3040, proposed FINRA Rule 3280 states that, prior to participating in any private securities transaction, any person associated with a FINRA member must provide written notice to the member with which he or she is associated. The written notice must describe the transaction and the associated person’s role, and disclose whether the associated person has received or may receive selling compensation in connection with the transaction. If the associated person has received or may receive selling compensation, the FINRA member must advise the individual in writing whether it approves or disapproves the associated person’s participation in the transaction. If the member disapproves the associated person’s participation in the transaction, the associated person may not directly or indirectly participate in the transaction in any manner. If the member approves the associated person’s participation

² The current FINRA rulebook consists of: (1) FINRA Rules; (2) NASD Rules; and (3) rules incorporated from New York Stock Exchange LLC (“NYSE”) (“Incorporated NYSE Rules”) (together, the NASD Rules and Incorporated NYSE Rules are referred to as the “Transitional Rulebook”). While the NASD Rules generally apply to all FINRA members, the Incorporated NYSE Rules apply only to those members of FINRA that are also members of the NYSE (“Dual Members”). The FINRA Rules apply to all FINRA members, unless such rules have a more limited application by their terms. For more information about the rulebook consolidation process, see Information Notice, March 12, 2008 (Rulebook Consolidation Process).

in the transaction, then the transaction must be recorded on the member's books and records, and the member must supervise the associated person's participation as if the transaction were executed on behalf of the member. If the associated person has not received and will not receive any selling compensation, the member must provide the associated person with written acknowledgement of the notice and, at its discretion, may impose conditions on the associated person's participation in the transaction. In addition, proposed FINRA Rule 3280 includes definitions of the terms "private securities transaction" and "selling compensation" that are substantively identical to the definitions in NASD Rule 3040.

Proposed FINRA Rule 3280 closely tracks the language of NASD Rule 3040 and makes only non-substantive, technical changes to the text of the NASD rule by, for instance, replacing the reference to a legacy NASD rule with the applicable FINRA rule.³

The proposed rule change would also replace all references to NASD Rule 3040 in FINRA Rules 0150 (Application of Rules to Exempted Securities Except Municipal Securities), 2150.04 (Applicability of Other Rules to Sharing Arrangements), 3270 (Outside Business Activities of Registered Persons), and 6630 (Applicability of FINRA

³ FINRA previously solicited comment on a proposal to move NASD Rule 3040 to the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook with substantive changes as part of the supervision rule, but determined to address NASD Rule 3040 as a separate proposal. See Regulatory Notice 08-24 (May 2008); see also Securities Exchange Act Release No. 64736 (June 23, 2011), 76 FR 38245 (June 29, 2011) (Notice of Filing File No. SR-FINRA-2011-028) (withdrawn on September 27, 2011)). Given that FINRA would like to proceed with the rulebook consolidation process expeditiously to provide greater clarity and regulatory efficiency to FINRA members, FINRA is proposing to move NASD Rule 3040 to the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook without substantive changes at this time, but FINRA may consider proposing substantive changes to the rule as part of future rulemaking.

Rules to Securities Previously Designated as PORTAL Securities) with references to proposed FINRA Rule 3280 accordingly.

As noted in Item 2 of this filing, FINRA has filed the proposed rule change for immediate effectiveness. The implementation date will be 30 days after the date of the filing.

(b) Statutory Basis

FINRA believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 15A(b)(6) of the Act,⁴ which requires, among other things, that FINRA rules must be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest. FINRA believes that the proposed rule change, which does not substantively change the rule, is consistent with the Act because it is being undertaken pursuant to the rulebook consolidation process, which is designed to provide additional clarity and regulatory efficiency to FINRA members by consolidating the applicable NASD, Incorporated NYSE, and FINRA rules into one rule set.

4. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

FINRA does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. As noted above, the proposed rule change will not substantively change either the text or application of the rule. FINRA would like to proceed with the rulebook

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78o-3(b)(6).

consolidation process expeditiously, which it believes will provide additional clarity and regulatory efficiency to members.

5. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others

Written comments were neither solicited nor received with respect to the proposed rule change to transfer NASD Rule 3040 into the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook without any substantive changes.⁵

6. Extension of Time Period for Commission Action

Not applicable.

7. Basis for Summary Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) or for Accelerated Effectiveness Pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) or Section 19(b)(7)(D)

The proposed rule change is effective upon filing pursuant to Section 19(b)(3) of the Act⁶ and paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 thereunder,⁷ in that the proposed rule change does not significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; does not impose any significant burden on competition; and does not become operative for 30 days after filing or such shorter time as the Commission may designate.

In accordance with Rule 19b-4(f)(6),⁸ FINRA submitted written notice of its intent to file the proposed rule change, along with a brief description and text of the proposed rule change, at least five business days prior to the date of filing, or such shorter

⁵ But see supra note 3.

⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3).

⁷ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

⁸ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

time as the Commission may designate, as specified in Rule 19b-4(f)(6)(iii) under the Act.⁹

8. Proposed Rule Change Based on Rules of Another Self-Regulatory Organization or of the Commission

Not applicable.

9. Security-Based Swap Submissions Filed Pursuant to Section 3C of the Act

Not applicable.

10. Advance Notices Filed Pursuant to Section 806(e) of the Payment, Clearing and Settlement Supervision Act

Not applicable.

11. Exhibits

Exhibit 1. Completed notice of proposed rule change for publication in the Federal Register.

Exhibit 5. Text of the proposed rule change.

⁹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6)(iii).

EXHIBIT 1

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
(Release No. 34- ; File No. SR-FINRA-2015-030)

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of a Proposed Rule Change to Adopt FINRA Rule 3280 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) in the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”)¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on , Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC” or “Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by FINRA. FINRA has designated the proposed rule change as constituting a “non-controversial” rule change under paragraph (f)(6) of Rule 19b-4 under the Act,³ which renders the proposal effective upon receipt of this filing by the Commission. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

FINRA is proposing to adopt NASD Rule 3040 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) as FINRA Rule 3280 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) in the consolidated FINRA rulebook without any substantive

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

changes. FINRA also proposes to update cross-references within other FINRA rules accordingly.

The text of the proposed rule change is available on FINRA's website at <http://www.finra.org>, at the principal office of FINRA and at the Commission's Public Reference Room.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, FINRA included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. FINRA has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

1. Purpose

As part of the process of developing a new consolidated rulebook ("Consolidated FINRA Rulebook"),⁴ FINRA is proposing to transfer NASD Rule 3040 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) into the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook as FINRA Rule 3280 (Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person) without

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any substantive changes. As with NASD Rule 3040, proposed FINRA Rule 3280 states that, prior to participating in any private securities transaction, any person associated with a FINRA member must provide written notice to the member with which he or she is associated. The written notice must describe the transaction and the associated person's role, and disclose whether the associated person has received or may receive selling compensation in connection with the transaction. If the associated person has received or may receive selling compensation, the FINRA member must advise the individual in writing whether it approves or disapproves the associated person's participation in the transaction. If the member disapproves the associated person's participation in the transaction, the associated person may not directly or indirectly participate in the transaction in any manner. If the member approves the associated person's participation in the transaction, then the transaction must be recorded on the member's books and records, and the member must supervise the associated person's participation as if the transaction were executed on behalf of the member. If the associated person has not received and will not receive any selling compensation, the member must provide the associated person with written acknowledgement of the notice and, at its discretion, may impose conditions on the associated person's participation in the transaction. In addition, proposed FINRA Rule 3280 includes definitions of the terms "private securities transaction" and "selling compensation" that are substantively identical to the definitions in NASD Rule 3040.

Proposed FINRA Rule 3280 closely tracks the language of NASD Rule 3040 and makes only non-substantive, technical changes to the text of the NASD rule by, for instance, replacing the reference to a legacy NASD rule with the applicable FINRA rule.⁵

The proposed rule change would also replace all references to NASD Rule 3040 in FINRA Rules 0150 (Application of Rules to Exempted Securities Except Municipal Securities), 2150.04 (Applicability of Other Rules to Sharing Arrangements), 3270 (Outside Business Activities of Registered Persons), and 6630 (Applicability of FINRA Rules to Securities Previously Designated as PORTAL Securities) with references to proposed FINRA Rule 3280 accordingly.

FINRA has filed the proposed rule change for immediate effectiveness. The implementation date will be 30 days after the date of the filing.

2. Statutory Basis

FINRA believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of Section 15A(b)(6) of the Act,⁶ which requires, among other things, that FINRA rules must be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, and, in general, to protect investors and the public

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⁶ 15 U.S.C. 78o-3(b)(6).

interest. FINRA believes that the proposed rule change, which does not substantively change the rule, is consistent with the Act because it is being undertaken pursuant to the rulebook consolidation process, which is designed to provide additional clarity and regulatory efficiency to FINRA members by consolidating the applicable NASD, Incorporated NYSE, and FINRA rules into one rule set.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

FINRA does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. As noted above, the proposed rule change will not substantively change either the text or application of the rule. FINRA would like to proceed with the rulebook consolidation process expeditiously, which it believes will provide additional clarity and regulatory efficiency to members.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received from Members, Participants, or Others

Written comments were neither solicited nor received with respect to the proposed rule change to transfer NASD Rule 3040 into the Consolidated FINRA Rulebook without any substantive changes.⁷

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days from the date on which it was filed,

⁷ But see supra note 5.

or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act⁸ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.⁹

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission summarily may temporarily suspend such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act. If the Commission takes such action, the Commission shall institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule should be approved or disapproved.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments:

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to rule-comments@sec.gov. Please include File Number SR-FINRA-2015-030 on the subject line.

Paper Comments:

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Robert W. Errett, Deputy Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

⁸ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

⁹ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-FINRA-2015-030. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet website (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of FINRA. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-FINRA-2015-030 and should be submitted on or before [insert date 21 days from publication in the Federal Register].

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.¹⁰

Robert W. Errett
Deputy Secretary

¹⁰ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

EXHIBIT 5

Exhibit 5 shows the text of the proposed rule change. Proposed new language is underlined; proposed deletions are in brackets.

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**Text of Proposed New FINRA Rule
(Marked to Show Changes from NASD Rule 3040; NASD Rule 3040 to be Deleted in
its Entirety from the Transitional Rulebook)**

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**3000. SUPERVISION AND RESPONSIBILITIES RELATING TO ASSOCIATED
PERSONS**

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3200. RESPONSIBILITIES RELATING TO ASSOCIATED PERSONS

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[3040] 3280. Private Securities Transactions of an Associated Person

(a) through (d) No Change.

(e) Definitions

For purposes of this Rule, the following terms shall have the stated meanings:

(1) “Private securities transaction” shall mean any securities transaction outside the regular course or scope of an associated person’s employment with a member, including, though not limited to, new offerings of securities which are not registered with the Commission, provided however that transactions subject to the notification requirements of NASD Rule 3050, transactions among immediate family members (as defined in FINRA Rule [2790]5130), for which no associated person receives any selling compensation, and personal transactions in investment company and variable annuity securities, shall be excluded.

(2) No Change.

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Amendments to FINRA Rules

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0150. Application of Rules to Exempted Securities Except Municipal Securities

(a) through (b) No Change.

(c) Unless otherwise indicated within a particular Rule, the following FINRA and NASD rules are applicable to transactions in, and business activities relating to, exempted securities, except municipal securities, conducted by members and associated persons:

FINRA Rules 2010, 2020, 2060, 2111, 2122, 2150, 2210, 2212, 2261, 2268, 2269, 2320(g), 3110, 3220, 3270, 3280, 4120, 4130, 4210, 4311, 4330, 4360, 4510 Series, 4530, 5160, 5210, 5220, 5230, 5310, 5340, 8110, 8120, 8210, 8310, 8311, 8312, 8320, 8330 and 9552; NASD Rules IM-2210-2, 2340, 2510, [3040,] 3050 and 3140.

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2150. Improper Use of Customers' Securities or Funds; Prohibition Against Guarantees and Sharing in Accounts

(a) through (c) No Change.

••• Supplementary Material: -----

.01 through **.03** No Change.

.04 Applicability of Other Rules to Sharing Arrangements. Members and associated persons should be aware that participation in a sharing arrangement permitted under paragraph (c) of this Rule does not affect the applicability of other FINRA rules,

including paragraph (b) of this Rule, FINRA Rules 3270 and 3280, and NASD Rule[s] [3040 and] 3050, to such sharing arrangement.

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3270. Outside Business Activities of Registered Persons

No registered person may be an employee, independent contractor, sole proprietor, officer, director or partner of another person, or be compensated, or have the reasonable expectation of compensation, from any other person as a result of any business activity outside the scope of the relationship with his or her member firm, unless he or she has provided prior written notice to the member, in such form as specified by the member. Passive investments and activities subject to the requirements of [NASD] Rule [3040] 3280 shall be exempted from this requirement.

••• Supplementary Material: -----

.01 Obligations of Member Receiving Notice. Upon receipt of a written notice under Rule 3270, a member shall consider whether the proposed activity will: (1) interfere with or otherwise compromise the registered person's responsibilities to the member and/or the member's customers or (2) be viewed by customers or the public as part of the member's business based upon, among other factors, the nature of the proposed activity and the manner in which it will be offered. Based on the member's review of such factors, the member must evaluate the advisability of imposing specific conditions or limitations on a registered person's outside business activity, including where circumstances warrant, prohibiting the activity. A member also must evaluate the proposed activity to determine whether the activity properly is characterized as an outside business activity or whether it should be treated as an outside securities activity subject to

the requirements of [NASD] Rule [3040] 3280. A member must keep a record of its compliance with these obligations with respect to each written notice received and must preserve this record for the period of time and accessibility specified in SEA Rule 17a-4(e)(1).

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6630. Applicability of FINRA Rules to Securities Previously Designated as PORTAL Securities

(a) through (b) No Change.

(c) The following are applicable to members and persons associated with members regardless of whether the member participates in transactions in PORTAL securities:

(1) No Change.

(2) NASD Rules [3040,] 3050[,] and 3140 and FINRA Rules 2210, 3220, 3270, 3280, 4120, 4360, and 5260.

(d) No Change.

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